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## FY 75 KIQ STRATEGY REPORT

KIQ 26: *What are the strengths and weaknesses of Warsaw Pact forces for theatre war?*

### I. COMMUNITY COLLECTION AND PRODUCTION STRATEGY

- A. The effort with regard to this KIQ will be concentrated on providing a good estimate of the combat effectiveness of Warsaw Pact ground forces and tactical aviation in Eastern Europe, and also on non-Soviet national air defense forces there -- and on Pact perceptions of NATO strengths and weaknesses.

### II. AGENCIES WORKING ON THIS KIQ

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effort to collect information on identification and location of Warsaw Pact air and ground units in the NATO guidelines area, on the aggregate manpower and equipment levels of those forces, and on the composition of the ground forces in that area.

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B.

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C. Production. DIA and CIA will produce joint forces summaries and estimates of force aggregates as required (see para 1). DIA, with the participation of CIA, will

develop national automated Order of Battle of Soviet and Warsaw Pact air and ground forces that will contain the Community judgments on acquisition and strength of units to the regimental level of detail.

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III. COMMENTS OF THE NIO/CF

- A. There is a consensus that the amount of information being collected is adequate to support the community's production effort for this KIQ. The MBFR Study Group analysis of what is being collected on these targets should provide firmer comprehension of the efficacy of current collection and

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information would probably have a significant pay-off for this KIQ and KIQ 26 and 28 as well. As indicated in paragraph II B and C above, the potential pay-off can best come in a refocusing of exploitation and production effort.

- B. In sum, I recommend that

-- collection as stated in Part II be continued at the current level of effort,

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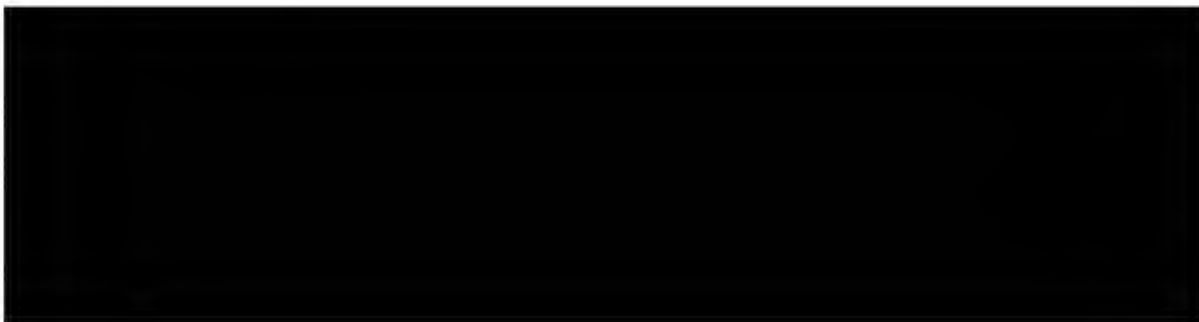
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